



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 5836-01; MBHB02-731-C)

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In the Application of:)
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Aomatsu, et al.) Before the Examiner:
) Brian Yong S. Kwon
Serial No. 09/674,815)
) Group Art Unit: 1614
Filed: December 7, 2000)
)
For: Solid Compositions Containing 4-Amino-3-)
Substituted-Butanoic Acid Derivatives and Process)
For Preparing the Same)

RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION
MAILED MAY 30, 2002

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action Mailed May 30, 2002, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the above-identified patent application in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

Amendments

In the claims:

Please add new claims 23-24 as follows.

23. (New) The stabilized pharmaceutical preparation of claim 1 wherein the α -amino acid is phenylglycine, hydroxyphenylglycine, dihydroxyphenylglycine, an L- α -amino acid or a DL- α -amino acid.
- 24 (New) The stabilized pharmaceutical preparation of claim 1 wherein the α -amino acid is glycine and